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NIGHTLEAD TRIAL (SCHEDULED)

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EAST BERLIN, AUG 5 (REUTERS) -- A SELF-CONFESSED AGENT

OF THE U.S. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (C.I.A.) TOLD COMMUNIST HIGH COURT JUDGES HERE TODAY OF PLANS TO LURE AN EAST GERMAN PILOT INTO FLYING A RUSSIAN PLANE CONTAINING SECRET EQUIPMENT TO THE WEST.

GUNTHER LAUDANN, AN EAST BERLINER WHO ESCAPED TO THE WEST IN 1949, SAID HE WAS SENT TO EAST BERLIN THREE MONTHS AGO TO CONTACT THE BROTHER OF AN EAST GERMAN FIGHTER PILOT.

"I TOLD HIM THAT THE MORE EQUIPMENT THE MIG-21 JET FIGHTER CONTAINED THE HIGHER THE PRICE WOULD BE," LAUDANN TOLD THE COURT.

IF THE BROTHERS WERE INTERESTED THEY WERE TO WRITE TO A COVER ADDRESS SAYING THEY WANTED TO "SELL THEIR INNERITED FAMILY PROPERTIES," HE ADDED.

HE HAD TOLD THE MAN THAT THE AMERICANS WOULD HAVE A HELICOPTER CIRCLING REPEATEDLY OVER THE BRANDENBURG GATE AS A SIGN OF THEIR GOOD FAITH.

(MORE) BSP 1:21P

FIRST ADD EAST BERLIN NIGHTLEAD TRIAL X X X FAITH.

LAUDANN, A 36-YEAR-OLD ELECTRICAL ENGINEER, HANS-JUERGEN HANKE, 22, A WAITER, AND WERNER RAECKER, 29, A LATHE-OPERATOR, WENT ON TRIAL TODAY ACCUSED OF ACTING AS WESTERN AGENTS.

ALL THREE WERE DESCRIBED AS EAST GERMAN CITIZENS WHO HAD LEFT TO LIVE IN WEST BERLIN.

FOUR GRAY-UNIFORMED SOLDIERS OF THE EAST GERMAN MINISTRY OF STATE SECURITY SAT CLOSE BEHIND THE THREE ACCUSED UNDER THE GLARE OF CAMERA ARC LIGHTS.

LAUDANN SAID HE WAS RECRUITED INTO THE C.I.A. IN WEST GERMANY SOON AFTER LEAVING EAST BERLIN. WHEN HE WAS SENT TO EAST BERLIN IN APRIL IT WAS THE BIGGEST JOB HE HAD DONE.

"I WAS TOLD ABOUT RADIO CONTACTS AND HOW THE MACHINE WOULD BE ESCORTED FROM THE BORDER BY WEST GERMAN OR AMERICAN MILITARY PLANE," HE SAID.

(MORE) BSP 1:23P

SECOND ADD EAST BERLIN NIGHTLEAD TRIAL X X X SAID.

"I WAS TOLD LANDING PLANE WOULD BE SUPPLIED, EAST GERMAN RADAR DEVICES WOULD BE MADE USELESS, BOTH BROTHERS WOULD BE LOOKED AFTER ONCE THEY WERE IN WEST GERMANY, AND ALL THEIR RELATIVES WOULD BE GOT OUT OF EAST BERLIN," LAUDANN SAID.

ALL THIS HE TOLD TO THE MAN HE MET IN AN EAST BERLIN PARK -- KLAUS DIETER JUNG.

DEPUTY STATE PROSECUTOR GUNTHER WENDLAND SAID JUNG IMMEDIATELY TOLD THE SECURITY AUTHORITIES AND LAUDANN WAS ARRESTED WHEN HE CAME TO EAST BERLIN AGAIN MAY 30 TO DELIVER A WRITTEN LETTER GIVING DEFINITE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DEFECTION. WENDLAND SAID HANKE LAST SPRING BECAME AN AGENT FOR THE WEST GERMAN SECRET SERVICE AND A C.I.A. AGENT.

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